

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An aqueous liquid detergent composition comprising:
a long-chain fatty acid glycol ester represented by the following formula (1):



wherein, R^1 represents a C_{11-21} alkyl or alkenyl group, A represents a hydrogen atom or COR^2 (in which R^2 represents a C_{11-21} alkyl or alkenyl group), and m stands for a number of from 1 to 3[[.]]₁ and

a surfactant,

wherein the fatty acid constituent of the long-chain fatty acid glycol ester contains 60 wt.% or greater of fatty acids having 18 or more carbon atoms, 40 wt.% or less of fatty acids having 16 carbon atoms, and 5 wt.% or less of fatty acids having less than 16 carbon atoms;
and

wherein the composition has a pH of from 1 to 5 at 25°C when diluted to 20 times the weight with water.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): An aqueous liquid detergent composition comprising:
a long-chain fatty acid glycol ester represented by the following formula (1):



wherein, R^1 represents a C_{11-21} alkyl or alkenyl group, A represents a hydrogen atom or COR^2 (in which R^2 represents a C_{11-21} alkyl or alkenyl group), and m stands for a number of from 1 to 3[[.]]₁ and

a surfactant,

wherein the fatty acid constituent of the long-chain fatty acid glycol ester contains 65 to 85 wt.% of fatty acids having 18 or more carbon atoms, 15 to 35 wt.% of fatty acids having

less than 18 carbon atoms, 35 wt.% or less of fatty acids having 16 carbon atoms, and 5 wt.% or less of fatty acids having less than 16 carbon atoms; and

wherein the composition has a pH of from 1 to 5 at 25°C when diluted to 20 times the weight with water.

Claim 3 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the long-chain fatty acid glycol ester of formula (1) is selected from the group consisting of ethylene glycol mono-fatty acid esters, ethylene glycol di-fatty acid esters, triethylene glycol mono-fatty acid esters, triethylene glycol di-fatty acid esters, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The composition according to Claim 1, comprising from 0.3% to 10wt% of ~~the composition~~ the long-chain fatty acid glycol ester of formula (1).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the surfactant is selected from the group consisting of amphoteric surfactants, nonionic surfactants, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The composition according to Claim 5, comprising from 10 to 50wt. % of the surfactant.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The composition according to Claim 1, further comprising from 0.05% to 10 wt.% of an organic acid or inorganic acid.

Claim 8 (Original): The composition according to Claim 3, wherein the long-chain fatty acid glycol ester of formula (1) is an ethylene glycol di-fatty acid ester.

Claim 9 (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, further comprising a silicone selected from the group consisting of dimethylpolysiloxanes, amino-modified silicones, polyether-modified silicones, methylphenylpolysiloxanes, fatty acid-modified silicones, alcohol-modified silicones, alkoxy-modified silicones, epoxy-modified silicones, fluorine-modified silicones, cyclic silicones, alkyl-modified silicones, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 10 (Original): The composition according to Claim 9, comprising from 0.01 to 10 wt.% of dimethylpolysiloxanes.

Claim 11 (New): The composition according to Claim 1, comprising from 0.5% to 5wt% of the long-chain fatty acid glycol ester of formula (1).

Claim 12 (New): The composition according to Claim 1, comprising from 0.8% to 3wt% of the long-chain fatty acid glycol ester of formula (1).

Claim 13 (New): The composition according to Claim 5, comprising from 10 to 30wt. % of the surfactant.

Claim 14 (New): The composition according to Claim 5, comprising from 10 to 20wt. % of the surfactant.

Claim 15 (New): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the pH is from 3 to 4.

Claim 16 (New): A shampoo comprising the aqueous liquid detergent composition according to claim 1.

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Claim 17 (New): A body soap comprising the aqueous liquid detergent composition according to claim 1.

Claim 18 (New): A face wash comprising the aqueous liquid detergent composition according to claim 1.

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Claims 1, 2, and 4-7 are currently amended.

Claims 11-18 are added.

Claims 1, 2, and 4-7 have been amended for minor editorial purposes, and in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion.

Support for claims 11-18 can be found in the specification at a page 5, lines 2-6, page 6, lines 19-22, page 7, line 1, and page 9, lines 3-5, as originally filed.

No new matter has been added by the amendments.

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-18 will be active in this application.